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MODE DISPLAY FOR USE THEREIN

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION AFTER FINAL ACTION

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Sir:

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the telephone conference of 26 June 2003 in which the novelty rejection of claims 25 and 27 were discussed.

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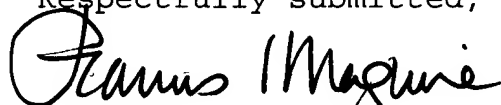
It was pointed out by Applicant that the Examiner's interpretation of the Smith reference is incorrect, because although the display is rotatable about the pole shown in Fig. 14, thereby meeting the first element of claim 25, the ability of the user to move the display up and down the pole along the same axis does not meet the limitation of the second element of claim 25, because it is not "rotatably mounted for rotation about" any other "second axis", as claimed.

The claim requires a second platform part (such as the second platform part 185 of Fig. 6 of the present disclosure), within which a first platform part (such as the first platform part 180 of Fig. 6) is rotatably mounted for rotation about a second axis (such as the X-axis 190 of Fig. 6). Therefore, claim 25 is not anticipated by the reference.

The Seecoast reference made of record by the Examiner but not applied, was also discussed. It was pointed out by Applicant that the Seecoast device is not a display, but is rather a coin-operated telescope.

Withdrawal of the 35 USC 102 rejection of claims 25 and 27 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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